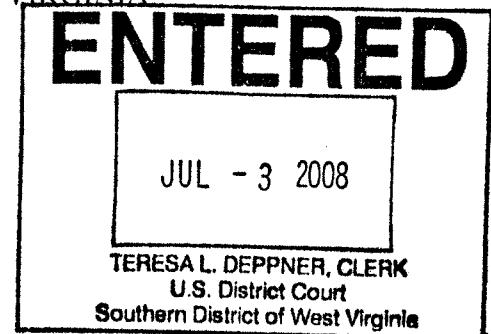


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA
HUNTINGTON DIVISION



DONALD BARCUS and LOIS BARCUS,)
husband and wife; ALBERT MITCHEM and)
CATHY MITCHEM, husband and wife;)
DANNIE OSBORNE and BENONA OSBORNE,)
husband and wife; WILLIAM THOMAS and)
KAREN THOMAS, husband and wife; VIRGIL)
WADE and WILMA WADE, husband and wife,)
Plaintiffs,)
vs.) Civil Action No. 3:08-CV-0344
LINDE, INC., f/k/a THE BOC GROUP, INC.,)
f/k/a AIRCO, INC., a Delaware Corporation;)
THE ESAB GROUP, INC., a Delaware)
Corporation, individually and as successor in)
interest to Alloy Rods, Inc. and Chemetron)
Corporation; HOBART BROTHERS COMPANY,)
an Ohio Corporation; THE LINCOLN ELECTRIC)
COMPANY, an Ohio Corporation; BECKLEY)
WELDING SUPPLY, INC., a West Virginia)
Corporation; MABSCOTT SUPPLY COMPANY,)
a West Virginia Corporation; TRI-STATE)
OXYGEN OF WEST VIRGINIA, INC., a West)
Virginia Corporation; VALLEY NATIONAL)
GASES, INC., a West Virginia Corporation;)
WILLARD C. STARCHER, INC., a West)
Virginia Corporation; JOHN DOE ONE through)
JOHN DOE TEN,)
Defendants.)

CONSENT ORDER

This matter having come before the Court and having been advised that all parties are in agreement, and being otherwise advised, finds as follows:

1. The parties involved in the above-referenced case agree that Defendants Motion to Stay All Proceedings Pending Transfer by the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation, Case No. 3:08-cv-00344, filed on May 23, 2008 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia, should be granted.

2. The parties further agree that this case should be transferred to the Welding Fume Products Liability Multidistrict Litigation by the MDL Panel.

3. The parties further agree that the Plaintiffs' Motion to Remand is appropriately heard and decided in the Welding Fume Products Liability Litigation; provided however, that as set forth in their Motion to Remand, Plaintiffs maintain that the removal was improper and that the case should be remanded to the Circuit Court of Wayne County, West Virginia.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that this matter is stayed pending transfer of the case to the Welding Fume Products Liability Multidistrict Litigation by the MDL Panel.

SO ORDERED this the 3^d day of July, 2008.

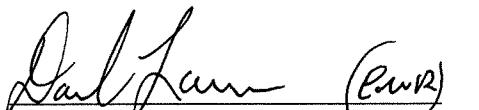


The Honorable Robert Chambers

AGREED AND APPROVED BY:



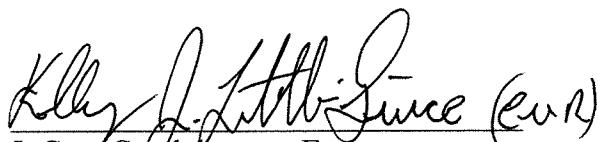
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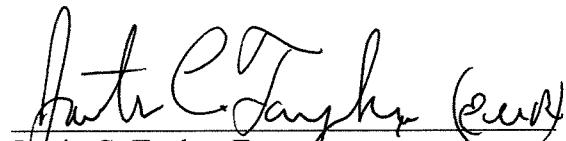
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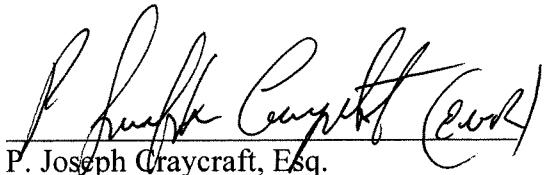
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